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Listing of Claims:

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1 - 11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) An apparatus for encircling vegetation with a windscreen, the apparatus comprising:

~~a windscreen including~~ first and second stakes, wherein each stake comprises a single linear ~~includes an~~ elongated rod having a protruding end, wherein ~~the elongated rod of each stake is fixedly attached to~~ a single elongated flexible sheet is directly connected to each elongated rod along a length of each elongated rod, wherein the first and second stakes are perpendicular to a direction of elongation of the flexible sheet and are separated by at least a portion of the flexible sheet along the direction of elongation of the flexible sheet, wherein each stake is suitable for being vertically supported by ground by manually driving ~~a bottom~~ the protruding end of each stake's elongated rod into the ground;

first and second attachment portions for receiving the protruding ~~bottom~~ ends of, respectively, the first and second stakes' elongated rods so that the stakes are held adjacent and substantially parallel to each other, so that the flexible sheet ~~encircles the vegetation in~~ makes a substantially complete loop to form an enclosure that is substantially closed around the sides and open at the top; and

a third attachment portion coupled to the first and second attachment portions, wherein the third attachment portion allows mounting of the apparatus to a ~~third~~ supporting stake.

13. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein the first and second stakes are held by the apparatus in a position above, and substantially parallel to, the supporting stake.

14. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein the first and second stakes are held by the apparatus substantially in-line with a length of the supporting stake.

15. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein the apparatus is integral with the supporting stake.

16. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein the apparatus is removably coupled to the supporting stake.

17. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein an attachment portion includes a hole for receiving an end of a stake.

18. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 12, wherein the apparatus is rolled in the elongated direction of the flexible sheet to form a roll for storing.

19. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 18, wherein the roll is unrolled and cut along a line transverse to the direction of elongation of the flexible sheet during a dispensing operation to result in the structure of claim 1.

20. (New) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein each elongated rod is directly connected to the single elongated flexible sheet by an adhesive.

21. (New) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein each elongated rod is directly connected to the single elongated flexible sheet by at least one staple.

22. (New) The apparatus of claim 11, wherein each elongated rod is directly connected to the single elongated flexible sheet by at least one nail.